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The House met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore [Mr. BUNNING of Kentucky].

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
November 15, 1995.

I hereby designate the Honorable JIM BUNNING to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

NEWT GINGRICH,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

Rev. John H. Wengrovius, Calvary Episcopal Church, Golden, CO, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, who alone gives us the breath of life and in whose hands are held the peoples and nations of the world, send down upon this House of Representatives the spirit of wisdom, charity, and justice; to the Representatives give courage and foresight to provide for the well-being of the people of this Nation and the strength and will to fulfill their many obligations. In Your divine compassion, sanctify all our thoughts and endeavors, that we may neither begin an action without Your blessing. And to all in authority, grant the grace to ask what You would have them do to the establishment of justice and righteousness and to the furthering of Your peaceable kingdom. All this we ask in Your most holy name. Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Ohio [Mr. TRAFICANT] come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance?

Mr. TRAFICANT led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate agrees to the report of the committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the House to the bill (S. 395) "An Act to authorize and direct the Secretary of Energy to sell the Alaska Power Administration, and to authorize the export of Alaska North Slope crude oil, and for other purposes."

WELCOME TO REVEREND WENGROVIUS

(Mr. SCHAEFER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SCHAEFER. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to be here today with our guest Chaplain, Reverend Wengrovius, and to thank him for his inspiring prayer this morning. Mr. Wengrovius comes to us today from my district in Golden, CO. His trip is very special, as he is visiting his daughter, Emily, a House page I had the pleasure of appointing. The Reverend has lead Calvary Episcopal Church, in Golden, with a ministry focusing on help and charity for the en-

tire community. The church is also active with the Golden T and T—Tying Neighborhoods Together—a group who brings activities and goodwill to the area. His family includes his wife, Ruth, and three children. Jack is studying at the University of Southern California, Emily is a House page here in the District of Columbia for the remainder of her junior year in high school, and Jenny is in junior high. I invite you to join me in welcoming Reverend Wengrovius to the House floor.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain fifteen 1-minutes on each side.

SUPPORT THE FUTURE BY BALANCING THE BUDGET

(Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, the President's intentions are now crystal clear. This President is willing to sacrifice our children's future to satisfy his thirst for more spending, more taxes, and more bureaucracy.

For weeks he has been talking and just talking about wanting to balance the budget. But, Mr. Speaker, talk is cheap and does nothing to solve this Nation's problems. The President should end his little charade about caring for this country's future because it does nothing but undermine the credibility of the Office of the President.

It is time that he accept and embrace the Republican's effort to balance the budget. All America wants, needs, and deserves a balanced budget and a secure future. We must end the President's pattern of all talk and no action

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